

The accolades continue to come. Right before the official start of summer, Anthony learned that he had made the Dr. Phillips Little League All-Star team—yet another incredible accomplishment for an impressive young man. His mother reports that he and his team did really well. And as further proof of Anthony's inspiring story, there was even a film crew from This Week in Baseball following him during part of his All-Star run.

Though given all of this praise, Anthony might respond much as he did in that Sentinel article. Commenting on "able-bodied adults who say he's remarkable or inspirational," Anthony's response was, "You just see things differently. To me, it's normal." This can-do attitude has brought Anthony many admirers at an early age—and I have every reason to believe that this young man will continue to inspire and succeed in ever bigger ways. I commend Anthony for his hard work, attitude, and approach to living. I encourage Anthony to keep swinging for the fences—he has already proven that he can knock the ball out of the park. On and off the diamond, we all know that Anthony Burruto is an All-Star.●

#### HONORING WANDA A. BROWN

● Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me today in congratulating Wanda A. Brown of Harrisonville, MO. Wanda has devoted her life to community journalism and community service. The Missouri Associated Press will induct Wanda into the Missouri Press Hall of Fame on September 7, 2007.

Wanda began her career in journalism in 1946 as copublisher of the Willow Springs News with her late husband J.W. Brown, Jr. With their purchase of the Harrisonville Democrat-Missourian in 1955, they were able to form the Cass County Publishing Company. Under Wanda's guidance as business manager, Cass County Publishing Company operated many of western Missouri's important publications including the Cass County Democrat-Missourian, Lee's Summit Journal, Belton Star Herald, Bates County Democrat and the Lawrence County Record. Wanda retired from publishing in 1985 after working in community journalism for 30 years.

The State of Missouri has benefited not only from Wanda's prolific career in journalism but also from her dedication to public service and philanthropy. Two generations of Cass County residents have known Wanda as the author of "Wanda's Favorite Recipes" which is a weekly column in the Democrat-Missourian. Wanda then turned these columns into two cookbooks. Proceeds from the first cookbook were donated to a local theater group, the Way Off Broadway Players, and from the second book to the Cass Medical Center Foundation.

The town of Harrisonville and the State of Missouri have been lucky to

have Wanda as one of its prominent citizens, awarding her with honors such as the Harrisonville Area Chamber of Commerce President's Award and the Missouri Merit Mother of the Year Award.

Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join me in honoring Wanda A. Brown for her decades of dedicated service to the citizens of Missouri. We congratulate Wanda on her induction into the Missouri Press Hall of Fame.

#### IN HONOR OF PHYLLIS DUNN

● Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Mr. President, today I celebrate the life of a beautiful Nebraskan on her 80th birthday.

Phyllis Schroeder Dunn was born on August 18, 1927, in Grand Island, NE. She has called Grand Island her home ever since.

With some help from her late husband Joseph Dunn, she gave birth to nine children, all at St. Francis Medical Center in Grand Island. A graduate of the St. Francis School of Nursing, her career as an emergency and operating room nurse spanned five decades.

Even as Phyllis Dunn celebrates her 80th birthday, she remains very active and is heavily involved in St. Leo's Catholic Church, her weekly quilting group at St. Mary's Cathedral, and following the exploits of her 16 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Her story is typical of lifelong Nebraskans who are known for living long, healthy, happy and productive lives.

Nebraska is famous for being an agriculture state that helps feed the world but it is the people of Nebraska, like Phyllis Dunn, who are its heart and soul.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 5:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by one of its clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following bills:

S. 1. An act to provide greater transparency in the legislative process.

S. 375. An act to waive application of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to a specific parcel of real property transferred by the United States to 2 Indian tribes in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes.

S. 975. An act granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.

S. 1099. An act to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code; to make individuals employed by the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission eligible to obtain Federal health insurance.

S. 1716. An act to amend the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007, to strike a requirement relating to forage producers.

H.R. 3206. An act to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through December 15, 2007, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

At 6:50 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Brandon, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3311. An act to authorize additional funds for emergency repairs and reconstruction of the Interstate I-35 bridge located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that collapsed on August 1, 2007, to waive the \$100,000,000 limitation on emergency relief funds for those emergency repairs and reconstruction, and for other purposes.

At 8:31 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3161. An act making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 31. An act to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Wildomar Service Area Recycled Water Distribution Facilities and Alberhill Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility Projects; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 176. To authorize the establishment of educational exchange and development programs for member countries of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 180. An act to require the identification of companies that conduct business operations in Sudan, to prohibit United States Government contracts with such companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 660. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect judges, prosecutors, witnesses, victims, and their family members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 673. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take lands in Yuma County,